HOUSE No. 665

By Mr. Miceli of Wilmington, petition of James R. Miceli relative to the penalties for manslaughter when caused by the operation of a motor vehicle. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO CREATE PENALTIES FOR MANSLAUGHTER WHEN CAUSED BY THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 265 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2000 Offi-
- 2 cial Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following
- 3 section:—
- 4 Section 13½. Whoever commits manslaughter while operating
- 5 a motor vehicle shall be punished in the state prison for not more
- 6 than twenty years or by a fine of not more than one thousand dol-
- 7 lars and imprisonment in jail or a house correction for not more
- 8 than two and one-half years. Upon a conviction under this section,
- 9 the court shall immediately notify the registrar, who shall suspend
- 10 the license, permit or right to operate of such person for fifteen 11 years.